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LETTER

Sir:

The below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

(x) Response to Office Communication of November 28, 2007

 \mathbf{X} The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 08-1480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION OF NOVEMBER 28, 2007

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This is in response to the Office Communication mailed on November 28, 2007 (Paper No. 20071124) (herein referred to as "the Office Communication" or "this Advisory Office Communication"). The one-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 28, 2007. Therefore, this Response is timely filed. Should a petition for extension of time be required, Applicants hereby request the Commissioner to consider this paper a petition for such extension of time.